
8. Cultural Resources

*"I reside at Table mountain, and my name is Truthful James;
I am not up to small deceit, or any sinful games;
And I'll tell in simple language what I now about the row
That broke up our society upon the Stanislow.*

*...Now, nothing could be finer or more beautiful to see
Than the first six months' proceedings of that same society,
Till Brown of Calaveras brought a lot of fossil bones
That he found within a tunnel near the tenement of Jones.*

*Then Brown he read a paper and reconstructed there
From those same bones an animal that was extremely rare'
And Jones then asked the chair for a suspension of the rules
Till he could prove that those same bones were one of his lost mules.*

*Then Brown he smiled a bitter smile and said he was at fault'
It seemed he had been trespassing on Jones' family vault...*

*Then Abner Dean, of Angel's, raised a point of order, when
A chunk of old red sandstone took him in the abdomen,...*

*For, in less time than I write it, every member did engage
On a warfare with the remnants of a palaeozoic age;
And the way they heaved those fossils in their anger was a sin,
Till the skull of an old mammoth caved the head of Thompson in."*

Excerpt from: *Society Upon the Stanislow*, (A Pliocene skull found in a mine near Angels Camp was made famous in this poem by Bret Harte)

Background

Cultural resources are the foundation of Angels Camp's community identity. Through preservation and conservation of our historic resources, residents and visitors are provided with a sense of history, and a greater appreciation of the heritage of Angels Camp and its place in the history of the region, state and nation. With recognition, preservation and continued use of cultural resources, the city's unique and character-defining historic, cultural,

architectural and aesthetic assets are emphasized, and an attractive, livable and viable community is created for future generations.

Cultural resources include properties that are associated with significant persons and events, are architecturally or aesthetically important, or have the ability to convey important information about prehistory or history. Cultural resources are remains and sites associated with human activities and include the following:

- Prehistoric and ethnohistoric Native American sites
- Historic archeological sites
- Historic buildings, structures, sites, objects and districts
- Elements or areas of the natural landscape that have traditional cultural significance to the citizens of Angels Camp, Calaveras County, the foothill region, the State of California or the nation

Requirements

A Cultural Resources Element is an optional general plan element. Government Code Section 65303 allows local jurisdictions to include any element that, in the judgment of the legislative body, relates to the physical development of the city, including a cultural resource element. Because cultural resources must be addressed as part of the environmental review process pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 *et seq.*), many local governments include a Cultural Resources Element as part of the general plan. The Cultural Resources Element is directly related to other elements of the general plan, most notably the Land Use and Open Space and Conservation Elements.

California Public Resources Code Sections 21002(b), 21083.2 (Archaeological Resources), and 21084.1 (Historical Resources Guidelines) address the evaluation of environmental impacts on historical resources. The California Register of Historical Resources has been adopted as the state's authoritative guide to the state's historical resources; properties that are listed on or eligible for listing on the California Register of Historical Resources are considered to be significant for the purposes of CEQA.

Pursuant to Section 21084.1 of the Public Resources Code, a project that may cause a substantial adverse change to an historical resource is a project that may have a significant effect on the environment. The State CEQA Guidelines define an historical resource as:

- Listed in, or determined to be eligible for listing in, the California Register of Historical Resources
- Historical resources included in a local register of historical resources as defined in subdivision (k) of Section 5020.1

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- A resource deemed significant pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 5024.1
- The fact that a resource is not listed in or determined eligible for listing pursuant to any of the preceding does not preclude a determination that the resource may be an historical resource

The goal of this Cultural Resources Element is to inventory, evaluate and identify those resources in Angels Camp that may be eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources and provide guidelines for their management in accordance with CEQA, while providing for citizen involvement.

GOALS, POLICIES AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS

8A. Identification & Evaluation of Resources

Goal 8.A Preserve and promote the preservation of Angels Camp's cultural heritage through the identification and evaluation of its cultural resources.

Policies

- 8.A.1** Provide mechanisms to identify and preserve the historic, visual, and aesthetic character and diversity of Angels Camp by encouraging the protection, enhancement, perpetuation and use of buildings, structures, places, sites, districts or other objects or things that represent past eras, events or persons important in Angels Camp's prehistoric, historic, cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history, or which provide significant examples of architectural styles of the past, or which are unique and irreplaceable assets to the city, or which provide examples of the physical surroundings in which past generations lived.
- 8.A.2** Foster knowledge, understanding and appreciation of our heritage, thereby creating civic pride and a sense of identity, by documenting, recognizing and utilizing the city's cultural and historical resources.
- 8.A.3** Survey, record, inventory and evaluate cultural resources in the city to assist in guiding cultural resources management activities.
- 8.A.4** Prepare cultural resources inventories consistent with the standards and guidelines of the State Office of Historic Preservation.

Implementation Programs

8.A.a **Prepare a Contextual History of Angels Camp**

Prepare a contextual history of Angels Camp to provide an historic overview of the area, identifying broad patterns and themes of historic development, and emphasizing buildings, structures and sites that are 50 years of age or older and including but not limited to the following themes: Gold Rush I & II Remains; Ethnic Affiliations; Technological Innovations; Literature and Folklore; and Major Periods of Historic Architecture, Transportation, and Tourism. The contextual history will provide guidance in evaluating the significance of cultural resources within the city.

8.A.b **Adopt a Priority Plan for Future Historic Resources Inventories**

Adopt a priority plan for identifying and evaluating historic resources within the city which have not yet been identified and evaluated. Priorities will consider, at a minimum, the age of resources and level of threat posed to each group of resources.

Related Programs: 8Ae (Cultural Resources), 8Ai (Cultural Resources), 8Ak (Cultural Resources)

8.A.c **Establish Professional Standards for Cultural Resources Consultants**

In conjunction with preparation of a Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.a*), include a provision requiring that cultural resources studies be conducted by qualified professionals, as established in **Appendix 8C**.

8.A.d **Adopt Cultural Resources Study Standards**

In conjunction with preparation of a Cultural Resources Managements Ordinance (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.a*), include standards for conducting and preparing cultural resources studies as established in *2020 General Plan Appendix 8B*.

8.A.e Prepare an Historic Resources Inventory

Enlist a qualified professional to prepare an Historic Resources Inventory for properties 50 years of age or older, using DPR 523A and 523B forms (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8F*), evaluating the properties for eligibility for listing on the California Register of Historical Resources (*2020 General Plan Appendices 8D & 8E*) and for inclusion in potential historic districts, and assigning the appropriate California Historical Resource Status Codes. These designations will assist the city in performing environmental evaluations conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8J*) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and implementation of the programs contained in this element.

Related Programs: 8Ab (Cultural Resources), 8Ae (Cultural Resources), 8Ai (Cultural Resources), 8Ak (Cultural Resources)

8.A.f Amend and Update the Existing Historic (:H) Combining District

Update documentation of all buildings located in the Historic (:H) Combining District, using DPR 523A and 523B forms (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8F*), to identify the significance and character-defining features of all properties within the district. Create and adopt design guidelines that articulate the design goals for the district and provide guidance that will ensure the historic and architectural character and integrity of the area is maintained (see *2020 General Plan Programs 8.B.g and 1.C.a*). The district also should encompass groups of cultural resources, including vacant parcels within historic districts, to ensure appropriate management of collected resources and their contextual setting. Prepare and adopt design guidelines that articulate the design goals for each district and provide guidance that will ensure the historic and architectural character and integrity of the area is maintained (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.g*). The guidelines shall include all of the principles contained in the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8A*).

Related Programs: 1Aa (Land Use), 1Ca (Land Use), 4Di (Conservation & Open Space), 8Ba (Cultural Resources), 10Ad (Economics), 11Ba (Community Identity), 11Da (Community Identity)

8.A.g Identify and Designate Historic Districts

As the city completes historic inventories and evaluations, enlist qualified professionals to provide recommendations for establishing historic districts within the city, and pursue Historic (:H) Combining District zoning. There may be more than one historic district within the city, the boundaries of which are clearly defined and mapped, with contributing and non-contributing resources identified within the district.

Related Programs: 1Aa (Land Use), 8Af (Cultural Resources)

8.A.h Establish an Angels Camp Register of Cultural Resources

Establish a Register of Cultural Resources for Angels Camp for the purposes of recognizing properties that are historically and culturally important to the citizens of Angels Camp and to implement preservation incentives programs pursuant to the Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.a*). The Register will include properties that are:

- a. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places
- b. Listed on the California Register of Historical Resources
- c. Properties contained within cultural resource inventories (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.A.e*) that have been assigned a California Historical Resources Status Code (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8D*) or National Register designation of:
 - 1. listed on the National Register;
 - 2. determined eligible for listing by formal process involving federal agencies;
 - 3. appears to be eligible for listing in the judgment of the person completing the form;
 - 4. might become eligible for listing; or
 - 5. ineligible for listing on the National or California Registers but of local interest and eligible for the City Register
- d. Properties that meet the criteria for listing on the City Register, contained in the Cultural Resources Management Ordinance
- e. Carry the Historic Combining District (:H) designation

8.A.i Include Inventoried Properties in an Electronic Database

To facilitate the use of the City's cultural resources inventories, establish an electronic database which includes information pertaining to cultural resources on individual parcels. Make the database available to the public via the City's website (www.angelscamp.gov). (See *2020 General Plan Program 8.C.g*)

Related programs: 8Ab (Cultural Resources), 8Ae (Cultural Resources), 8Ak (Cultural Resources)

8.A.j Involve Property Owners and Stakeholders

Include opportunities for property owners and stakeholders to provide input when considering the designation of properties to the Angels Camp Register of Cultural Resources, designation of historic districts, adoption of design guidelines, establishment of incentive programs, and adoption of, and amendments to, the Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (see *2020 General Plan Programs 8.B.a and 8.C.a*).

8.A.k Notify Property Owners of Inclusion in the Cultural Resource Inventory and Available Preservation Incentives

Upon completion of cultural resources inventories, provide property owners with a copy of the property evaluation, regulatory effects, and a list of incentive programs available for the property if listed on the Angels Camp Register of Cultural Resources, California Register of Historical Resources or the National Register of Historic Places. In order to inform future owners of historic properties, the city shall, upon local designation as an historic resource, file with the Calaveras County Clerk and Recorder a notice identifying the property as being listed on the Angels Camp Register of Cultural Resources or located within a designated historic district.

Related programs: 8Ab (Cultural Resources), 8Ae (Cultural Resources), 8Ai (Cultural Resources), 8Bb (Cultural Resources), 8Bc (Cultural Resources), 8Bn (Cultural Resources), 8Bo (Cultural Resources)

8B. Resources Management

See also Chapter 11 (Community Identity Element), Section 11E

Goal 8B Maintain the cultural heritage of Angels Camp through the enlightened management, preservation, use, enhancement, restoration, rehabilitation and study of its cultural resources.

Policies

- 8.B.1** Recognize the importance of cultural resources management to the attractiveness, character and livability of Angels Camp.
- 8.B.2** Assist in retaining the special character of historic buildings, structures and districts and promote compatible development within historic districts by providing flexible development standards to encourage preservation of historic buildings, structures, sites and districts.
- 8.B.3** Recognize the importance of cultural resources management to the city's economic health and development. Promote the continued private ownership and utilization of historic properties by providing economic and zoning incentives to stabilize and improve the value of properties designated as historic resources, and strengthen the economy of Angels Camp by enhancing the city's attraction to residents and encouraging heritage tourism.
- 8.B.4** Emphasize the provision of incentives to encourage the retention, reuse and restoration of historic structures.
- 8.B.5** Establish the tools necessary for the city to pursue funding sources and develop incentive programs essential to the preservation of the city's cultural resources.
- 8.B.6** Seek the expertise of qualified professionals in evaluating potential impacts of proposed projects on cultural resources.
- 8.B.7** Manage the city's cultural resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines.

- 8.B.8** Coordinate the goal of preservation of cultural resources with the need to set standards and guidelines for the orderly growth and development of the community, and use cultural resource management as a means of achieving other goals and implementing other programs of the general plan.
- 8.B.9** Adopt policies, plans and regulations that will enhance the historic small town character of Angels Camp and utilize and maximize the city's existing assets.
- 8.B.10** Recognize and protect resources associated with, and identified as important to, Native Americans within the Angels Camp Sphere of Influence.

Implementation Programs

- 8.B.a** **Prepare a Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (CRM)**
Prepare a Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (CRM) using the guidelines provided by the State Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) for format and content of a Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8G*). It is anticipated that the CRM will address, but not be limited to, the following:
 - a. Preservation incentives (See *2020 General Plan Programs 8.B.b* and *8.B.c*)
 - b. Criteria and procedures for listing properties on the City Register (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.A.i*)
 - c. Guidelines for rehabilitation, restoration, and adaptive re-use of historic structures (See *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.g*)
 - d. Guidelines for new construction within historic districts
 - e. Demolition and relocation criteria for buildings, structures and archaeological resources 50 years of age or older (See *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.i*)
 - f. Review procedures for projects involving cultural resources and/or projects located within historic districts (See *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.h, 8.B.q.*)
 - g. Maintenance standards for designated historic properties

- h. Establishment of an Historic Preservation Commission (See *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.k*)
- i. Criteria for the protection of archeological resources
- j. Public hearing procedures that ensure all interested parties will be afforded the opportunity to participate and provide input on cultural resource decisions
- k. Procedures for the discovery of human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries

Related Programs: 8Af (Cultural Resources), 10Ak (Economic Development)

8.B.b Provide Historic Preservation Incentives

Adopt and implement regulatory and financial incentive programs to encourage the preservation of designated historic properties including, but not limited to:

- a. Properties located in historic districts
- b. Properties listed on the City Register
- c. Properties listed on the California Register of Historical Resources
- d. Properties listed on the National Register
- e. Projects consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Financial incentives that may be considered for historic preservation are included in *2020 General Plan Appendix 8H*. Other incentive programs may be developed, depending on the availability of funding.

Related Programs: 8Ak (Cultural Resources), 8Bc (Cultural Resources), 8Bn (Cultural Resources), 8Bo (Cultural Resources)

8.B.c Provide Zoning Incentives to Encourage Preservation and Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings

Allow the modification of development standards, provided a determination is made that the modification furthers the intent and purpose of this element. The program will consider allowing, as a conditional use, expanded uses for historic resources located in residential zones, and may also consider modification of dimensional limitations such as building coverage and setbacks. Modified development standards shall not alter conformance requirements of appropriate building, construction or fire codes (e.g., State Historic Building Code, Uniform Building Code, Uniform Fire Code, Uniform Code for Building Conservation). City building officials and fire officials are encouraged to liberally construe pertinent portions of the codes in furtherance of this element to the extent that interpretations do not endanger health and safety.

Related Programs: 8Bb (Cultural Resources), 10Aj (Economic Development)

8.B.d Continue to Allow Use of Materials and Methods Consistent with the Construction Date of the Building for Buildings 50 Years of Age or Older per the State Historic Building Code

Continue to allow rehabilitation of housing using materials and methods as of the date of original construction for those residences 50 years of age or older and/or listed in the city's historical inventory (*Central Sierra Historic Resource Inventory*, March, 1989; Leslie Crow and as may be amended) unless a health or safety hazard would result, consistent with the provisions of Health & Safety Code Section 17922(d). Refer to the State Historic Building Code (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8I*) for guidance, where pertinent.

Equivalent Program: 2Ca (Housing)

Related Programs: 2Cg (Housing), 2Cm (Housing), 6Ah (Public Safety), 8Bd (Cultural Resources), 8Bn (Cultural Resources), 8Bt (Cultural Resources), 8By (Cultural Resources), 10Aj (Economic Development)

8.B.e Establish a Facade Easement Program

Working with an appropriate nonprofit organization, establish a facade easement program allowing the city or nonprofit to purchase or accept, through donation, easements on building facades.

Equivalent Program: 10Ak (Economic Development)

8.B.f Establish Criteria for CEQA Review for Projects Involving Cultural Resources

Implement policies for environmental review pursuant to CEQA that include consideration of the potential for a project to have an effect on historical resources. Adopt the following standard for exempting projects involving cultural resources:

Projects undertaken that affect a cultural/historical resource or site, or are located within a designated historic district, shall be considered categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15331 (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8J*), so long as such work is conducted in a manner consistent with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (2020 General Plan Appendix 8A)*.

8.B.g Prepare Design Guidelines for the Preservation of Historic Resources

Prepare and adopt illustrated Angels Camp Historic Design Guidelines that articulate the design goals for the preservation of historic resources, including historic districts, and ensure that development within the historic district is designed to be compatible with the character, scale and architectural style of the district. Provide guidance that will ensure the maintenance of the historic and architectural character and integrity of the resources and surrounding areas. The design guidelines should include the following:

- a. Guidelines that specifically address the character and design of specific building types as well as neighborhoods and districts
- b. Adoption of the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties* as a guide for evaluating development proposals including, but not limited to, restoration, rehabilitation, or alteration of, and additions to, existing historic structures (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8A*)
- c. Adoption of design criteria for landscaping, lighting, signage, and the design of new buildings and structures located within an historic district or located outside of an historic district but adjacent to a cultural resource

Equivalent Program: 1Ci (Land Use), 11Ec (Community Identity)

Related Programs: 8Bh (Cultural Resources), 8Bi (Cultural Resources)

8.B.h Update Development Standards for the Historic Commercial (HC) District

Revise existing development standards in the Historic Commercial (HC) zoning district as necessary to achieve compatibility with the character, scale and architectural style of the district. Revisions should include, but not be limited to, a review of dimensional limitations (e.g., building height).

Equivalent Programs: 1Ch (Land Use), 11Ed (Community Identity)

Related Programs: 1Ci (Land Use), 11Ec (Community Identity), 8Bg (Cultural Resources), 8Bi (Cultural Resources), 8Bk (Cultural Resources)

8.B.i Establish a Review Process for Historic Structures

Establish a procedure for reviewing applications for preservation, rehabilitation, restoration, alterations or additions to historic structures (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.a*). Design review procedures for historic structures will consider the following:

- a. Design review procedures for applications seeking approval of alterations, rehabilitations or additions to historic resources, for the purpose of issuing *Certificates of Appropriateness*, or equivalent
- b. Criteria for staff approval of certain minor alterations
- c. Opportunities for public input when making design review decisions

Related Programs: 1Ch (Land Use), 1Ci (Land Use), 11Ec (Community Identity)

8.B.j Adopt Criteria and Procedures for the Review of Demolition and Relocation for Buildings and Structures 50 Years of Age and Older

Adopt demolition and relocation procedures for structures 50 years of age or older (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.a*). Procedures may address, but not be limited to:

- a. The necessity for a building permit or site development plan for a replacement structure or other project to be issued prior to demolition and relocation
- b. Structural soundness
- c. Health and safety
- d. Economic hardship criteria
- e. Criteria for evaluating the impact of the proposal on the historic character of the surrounding area, and for relocation, the character of the area to which the building is being relocated.
- f. Demolition stays for significant historic resources (the definition of “significant” to be defined in the enabling ordinance)
- g. Acquisition of a *Certificate of Appropriateness* prior to demolition or relocation
- h. Review procedure for considering *Certificates of Appropriateness* (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.i*)

Related Programs: 1Ch (Land Use), 1Ci (Land Use), 8Bg (Cultural Resources), 8Bh (Cultural Resources), 8Bi (Cultural Resources)

8.B.k Implement a Technical and Design Assistance Program

Provide advisory technical and design assistance to property owners, architects, and contractors working with designated historic properties and properties within historic districts, as well as properties 50 years of age or older which are otherwise not listed or determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources or Angels Camp Register of Cultural Resources, or which are not otherwise zoned Historic Combining (:H) or located in the Historic Commercial District (HC). The assistance program should include the following:

- a. Develop public education forums and workshops
- b. Provide links to appropriate preservation websites through the city's website (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.C.g*)
- c. Create and distribute informational materials
- d. Maintain a listing of qualified preservation professionals and consultants
- e. Make available reference materials on appropriate preservation treatments (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.C.f*)

Related Programs: 1Ch (Land Use), 1Ci (Land Use), 8Bg (Cultural Resources), 8Bh (Cultural Resources)

8.B.1 Consider Establishment of an Historic Preservation Commission

Consider establishment of an Historic Resources Committee (HPC). It is anticipated that the HPC will:

- a. Include members meeting the professional qualification criteria, as required for designation as a Certified Local Government (CLG) if the city decides to seek CLG designation (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8C*; see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.1*)
- b. Review and approve *Certificates of Appropriateness* for alterations and additions to historic resources, demolition and relocation, and new construction in historic districts
- c. Review and provide input to the planning commission and city council for development proposals involving significant historic resources or located in or adjacent to historic districts and properties
- d. Review and provide input to the city council for designation of historic properties to the Angels Camp Register of Cultural Resources (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.A.i*)
- e. Review and provide input to the city council for adoption of and amendments to the Cultural Resources Management Ordinance (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.a*)
- f. Coordinate preparation of grant applications for funding available through the CLG Program to further the cultural resources objectives of this element, if the city pursues CLG designation (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.1*)
- g. Oversee the preparation of cultural resources inventories and evaluations of the city's cultural resources and maintain that system for the survey and inventory of historic properties (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.A.e*)
- h. Enforce appropriate state and local legislation for the designation and protection of historic properties
- i. Provide for adequate public participation in the local historic preservation program, including the process of reviewing and recommending properties for nomination to the National Register of

Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources, and City Register, and establishment of historic districts

- j. Support, encourage and implement public education programs about the cultural resources and history of Angels Camp (See *2020 General Plan Goal 8.C*)

Related Program: 8Bm (Cultural Resources)

8.B.m Pursue Certified Local Government (CLG) Designation

Investigate the pros and cons of seeking city designation as a Certified Local Government (CLG) consistent with the standards established by the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8K*). Provide a report to the planning commission and city council with the findings of the investigation and recommendations. If the city proceeds with seeking CLG designation, then membership of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC, *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.I*) will reflect the membership requirements of a CLG.

Related Program: 8B1 (Cultural Resources)

8.B.n Adopt the Mills Act

Adopt and promote the availability of the Mills Act for the reduction of property taxes through historic preservation for the rehabilitation of historical structures for residential use to assist in long-term maintenance, rehabilitation and affordability in compliance with California Government Code, Article 12, Sections 50280-50290 (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8H*).

Equivalent Program: 2Cg (Housing)

Related Program: 2Ca (Housing), 8Bb (Cultural Resources), 8Bd (Cultural Resources), 8Bt (Cultural Resources)

8.B.o Encourage and Support the Efforts of Property Owners to Qualify for Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives (aka 1986 Tax Reform Act)

As inventories are completed, prepare a list of properties in Angels Camp that could benefit from the 1986 Tax Reform Act, and notify and assist property owners with information for taking advantage of this Act which provides federal income tax credits for income-producing properties listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8H*).

Related Programs: 8Ak (Cultural Resources), 8Bb (Cultural Resources), 8Bc (Cultural Resources), 8Bn (Cultural Resources)

8.B.p Consider Establishing a Redevelopment Agency to Assist in the Provision of Affordable Housing, to Fund Infrastructure Improvements, and to Achieve Other City Goals Identified in the General Plan

Consider establishing a redevelopment agency and plan, or similar mechanism, to assist in:

- a. The provision of affordable housing
- b. Funding infrastructure improvements that may be necessary for the provision of affordable housing or economic development
- c. Funding water and wastewater infrastructure improvements
- d. Funding fire and medical protection infrastructure improvements (e.g., upgrading fire hydrants, increasing fire flow)
- e. Funding park infrastructure and related improvements (e.g., sidewalk construction, facilities for *low-impact modes of transportation*)
- f. The provision of infrastructure improvements supporting public works facilities (e.g., sidewalks, drainage facilities)
- g. **The rehabilitation of historic properties**
- h. Promoting economic development (e.g., undertaking commercial area enhancements, improving and/or expanding parking facilities, establishing a commercial/retail facade loan program, undertaking gateway beautification projects, undertaking curb, gutter and sidewalk replacement and repair, providing and/or improving restroom facilities, conducting an historic inventory)

The preceding activities are subject to redevelopment law restrictions and requirements. The city should hold at least one public forum to discuss the establishment of a redevelopment agency prior to 2009.

Equivalent Programs: 1Af (Land Use), 2Cf (Housing), 7Ab (Public Facilities & Services), 7Bc (Public Facilities & Services), 7Cb (Public Facilities & Services), 7Eb (Public Facilities & Services), 7Fa (Public Facilities & Services), 7Ha (Public Facilities & Services), 10Al (Economic Development), 12Ea (Parks & Recreation)

8.B.q Review Projects Involving Federal Assistance (Section 106)

Adopt a procedure for city review of projects for consistency with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). Designate the Historic Preservation Commission (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.k*) as the appropriate advisory agency for these reviews if the city pursues Certified Local Government Designation (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.B.l*).

8.B.r Establish Procedures for Addressing Unanticipated Cultural Resources

For projects with conditions of approval related to the management of cultural resources, include a requirement for preconstruction meetings with project contractors, the developer or his/her representative, Native American representative, the project's qualified cultural resources professional, the planning department and other agencies responsible for overseeing the construction phase of a development project (including demolitions) to review procedures as required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act when it is possible that cultural resources may be discovered during the construction process.

8.B.s Integrate Cultural Resources Management Goals and Recreation Goals

Recognize the importance of natural features such as Angels Creek to the historic development of the city. Emphasize the historic nature of recreational resources (e.g., ditch and creek trails) as a means to enhance funding opportunities for recreation improvements and preservation programs. Potential recreational facilities with cultural resource value will be made a priority for development pursuant to the Cultural Resources Element, Community Identity Element and the Parks & Recreation Element of the general plan (see related programs).

Related Programs: 3Bl (Circulation), 8Bt (Cultural Resources), 11Ed (Community Identity), 12Cb (Parks & Recreation)

8.B.t Integrate Affordable Housing Goals and Cultural Resources Goals

Emphasize the historic nature of resources that may be rehabilitated for use as single- and multi-family housing for low and very-low income households as a means to enhance funding opportunities, available tax credits and other incentive programs.

Related Programs: 2Ca (Housing), 2Cg (Housing), 2Cm (Housing), 3Bl (Circulation), 6Ah (Public Safety), 8Bd (Cultural Resources), 8Bn (Cultural Resources), 8Bs (Cultural Resources), 8By (Cultural Resources), 10Aj (Economic Development), 11Ed (Community Identity), 12Cb (Parks & Recreation)

- 8.B.u Remove General Advertising Signs From the Historic Downtown**
Prepare an ordinance providing for the removal of general advertising (billboards) from the historic downtown area. Provide a means by which owners can relocate signs to areas that are not historically or visually sensitive.

Related Programs: 1Eb (Land Use), 4Ce (Conservation & Open Space), 11Cd (Community Identity)

- 8.B.v Reduce Traffic Impacts on the Historic Downtown**
Encourage alternative traffic routes, circulation patterns, and traffic-calming methods to alleviate impacts of traffic, encourage pedestrian traffic, and allow residents and visitors to enjoy the historic small-town character of downtown Angels Camp (see *2020 General Plan Circulation Program 3BI*).

Related Program: 3BI (Circulation)

- 8.B.w Develop City Gateways to be Attractive and Compatible with the Historic Character of Angels Camp**
Develop the entrances to Angels Camp along State Routes 4 and 49 so the history and culture of the area is recognized through signage, landscaping, lighting and other means.

Related Programs: 1Cc (Land Use), 3Ea (Circulation), 4Ca (Conservation & Open Space), 11Bi (Community Identity), 11Cf (Community Identity)

- 8.B.x Consult with Native Americans in Conjunction with General Plan and Specific Plan Review and Adoption**
Consistent with the State of California Governor's Office of Planning and Research General Plan guidelines addressing implementation of California SB18 [*Tribal Consultation Guidelines (2020 General Plan Appendix 8N)*], notify and allow Native American tribes to request a consultation with the City before adoption or amendment of a General Plan or Specific Plan. Keep apprised of updates to the guidelines at <http://www.opr.ca.gov/SB182004.html>.

Related Program: 8Cc (Cultural Resources)

8.B.y Encourage Rehabilitation of Old Buildings

Amend the Municipal Code to address work undertaken on old buildings that require seismic stabilization (e.g., *unreinforced masonry buildings*) and the need to maintain the historic integrity of those buildings consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8A*). In addition, the amendment should address bracing or stabilizing, rather than removing, architectural features on buildings for seismic safety.

The amendment should address the City's policy towards *Unreinforced Masonry Buildings* (URMs) and voluntary versus non-voluntary measures that the City may request in conjunction with the rehabilitation of URMs consistent with California Government Code Section 8875 *et seq.*, the 1997 *National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Provisions for the Development of Seismic Regulations for New Buildings* (NEHRP Provisions), the Uniform Building Code, Executive Order 12699 (*Seismic Safety of Federal and Federally Assisted or Regulated New Building Construction*), State Historic Building Code, and other applicable codes (See also *2020 General Plan Appendix 8I*).

Equivalent Program: 6Ah (Public Safety)

Related Programs: 2Ca (Housing), 2Cg (Housing), 2Cm (Housing), 8Bd (Cultural Resources), 8Bt (Cultural Resources), 10Aj (Economic Development)

8.B.z Establish Interpretive Programs

Identify funding sources for and establish programs to identify and promote the city's cultural resources (e.g., installing plaques or similar identifying structures, publishing the city's walking tour of identified resources, and similar programs).

8C. Partnerships, Public Participation, and Education

Goal 8.C Encourage public participation and foster partnerships to educate citizens and visitors on the importance of the cultural heritage of Angels Camp.

Policies

- 8.C.1** Involve citizens in all aspects of the city's cultural resources programs.
- 8.C.2** Develop programs that will educate the community about cultural resources and preservation.

Implementation Programs

- 8.C.a** **Provide for Public Participation in Implementing Cultural Resource Programs**
Provide opportunities to property owners, stakeholders and interested persons for public participation when conducting historic resource surveys, in the designation of historic properties, and adoption of design guidelines, plans and ordinances (see **Program 8.A.k**). Encourage citizen initiative of cultural resources programs.
- 8.C.b** **Work in Partnership With Other Cultural Resource Organizations to Develop and Enhance Educational Opportunities**
Form partnerships with and support the Angels Camp Museum, Calaveras County Historical Society, schools, and other institutions and organizations to educate and inform residents and citizens about the history and culture of Angels Camp and the surrounding area. Work to develop interpretive materials, including but not limited to plaques, monuments, tours, workshops, publications and lectures. Work with the local media to disseminate information regarding cultural resources.
- 8.C.c** **Recognize the Native American Culture of the Area**
Consult with Native American representatives when reviewing major developments, consistent with Senate Bill 18 (*2020 General Plan Appendix 8N*). Support the development of interpretive materials and efforts to protect places, features and objects that recognize the Native American heritage and culture of the area. Where feasible, encourage the protection of prehistoric, archeological, cultural, spiritual and ceremonial places by designating the sites as open space.

Related Program: 8Bx (Cultural Resources)

8.C.d Support and Promote Events Celebrating the City's Culture, History, Recreational Opportunities and Natural Resources

Continue to support and promote public activities and events celebrating the city's culture, history, industries, recreational opportunities, arts and natural resources. Support and promote events that bring visitors and residents downtown, further the economic development objectives of the city, and are compatible with the city's community character including, but not limited to:

- a. **Events recognizing and celebrating the city's historic sites, structures, people, culture and events**
- b. **Events recognizing the city's literary history**
- c. Calaveras County Frog Jump
- d. Fishing tournaments (e.g., bass tournaments), triathlons, fun-runs, biking tournaments and other recreational events
- e. **Events recognizing the city and region's historic industries (e.g., mining, timber harvesting)**

Equivalent Programs: 4Fc (Conservation & Open Space), 10Cd (Economic Development), 11Ee (Community Identity), 12Cg (Parks & Recreation)

Related Programs: 2Aa (Housing), 3Cd (Circulation), 10Ab (Economic Development), 10Ao (Economic Development), 11Ea (Community Identity)

8.C.e Encourage Public Art That Celebrates and Enhances the City's Cultural Heritage

Encourage property owners and developers to incorporate art and/or provide opportunities for incorporating art in project design that is reflective of the heritage and character of Angels Camp. *2020 General Plan Appendix 11C* provides examples of communities implementing a similar program.

8.C.f Establish a Preservation Reference Library

Acquire and maintain a library of reference materials that property owners, architects and contractors may consult to help prepare preservation and rehabilitation plans, and to provide guidance on maintaining historic properties.

8.C.g Maintain an Historic Preservation Page on the City's Website and Linked to the Museum

On the city's website (www.angelscamp.gov), Angels Camp Museum page, maintain an historic preservation page that includes:

- a. The inventory of all historic and cultural resources within the city (see *2020 General Plan Program 8.A.j*)
- b. All applicable design guidelines and ordinances
- c. A list of historic preservation resources and supporting informational materials
- d. Links to other agencies and organizations such as the National Park Service, California Office of Historic Preservation, National Trust for Historic Preservation and California Preservation Foundation

8.C.h Develop a Master Plan for Context Sensitive Solutions - Caltrans Coordination

Use Caltrans' policy regarding *Context Sensitive Solutions* for projects involving the planning, design, maintenance and operation of State Routes 4 and 49, in order to integrate and balance community, aesthetic, historic and environmental values with transportation safety, maintenance and performance goals.

Identify locations throughout the city that might benefit from the application of *context sensitive solutions* including, but not limited to, plans for:

- a. Type, size, location and planting technique for street trees
- b. Location and design of bulbouts and pedestrian crossings
- c. Location and design of parking
- d. Locations for civic buildings and other public facilities and amenities
- e. Approaches to restoring historic buildings
- f. Location and design of transit stops and ride-share centers
- g. Lighting
- h. Street lighting
- i. Similar programs

Equivalent Programs: 1Cd (Land Use), 3Eb (Circulation), 11Ce (Community Identity)